

Council of the District of Columbia

Committee on the Judiciary

Notice of Public Hearing

1350 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004

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**COUNCILMEMBER PHIL MENDELSON, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING
on**

Bill 16-907, "Comprehensive Homicide Elimination Strategy Task Force Act of 2006",

on

**Wednesday, November 29, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.
5th Floor Council Chamber, John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004**

Councilmember Phil Mendelson, Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, announces a public hearing on Bill 16-907, the "Comprehensive Homicide Elimination Strategy Task Force Act of 2006." The hearing will be held on Wednesday, November 29, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., in the 5th Floor Council Chamber of the John A. Wilson Building located at 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

The stated purpose of Bill 16-907 is to establish a Comprehensive Homicide Elimination Strategy Task Force. The task force would be broad-based, with 36 members. It would provide a set of comprehensive policy recommendations on how the District government and non-government partners may accomplish the goal of ending murder in the District of Columbia.

Copies of this bill may be obtained from the Council's Legislative Services Division at 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004, 202-724-8050.

Those who wish to testify at the hearing should contact Victor Bonett, Legislative Analyst, at (202) 724-4865, or by fax at (202) 724-6664, and provide their name, address, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any) by Monday, November 27, 2006. Witnesses are encouraged, but not required, to bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the hearing. If submitted by the close of business on Monday, November 27, 2006, the testimony will be distributed to Councilmembers before the hearing. Individuals should limit their testimony to five minutes; less time will be allowed if there are a large number of witnesses.

If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted either to Victor Bonett or Ms. Phyllis Jones, Secretary to the Council, Room 5 of the Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004. The record will close at 5:00 p.m., on Wednesday, December 13, 2006.

Council of the District of Columbia

Committee on Health

Notice of Public Hearing

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

REVISED

**COUNCILMEMBER DAVID A. CATANIA, CHAIR
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH**

Announces A Public Hearing

On

B16-772: The Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 Amendment Act of 2006

B16-413: The Childhood Lead Screening Amendment Act of 2005

B16-913: The Community Access to Health Care Omnibus Amendment Act of 2006

On

Monday, November 13, 2006

10:00 a.m.

**The John Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Council Chamber, 5th Floor
Washington, DC 20004**

Councilmember David A. Catania, Chair of the Committee on Health, announces a Public Hearing on B16-772, the "Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 Amendment Act of 2006", B16-413, the "Childhood Lead Screening Amendment of 2005" and B16-913, the "Community Access to Health Care Omnibus Amendment Act of 2006." The hearing will be held on Monday, November 13, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., in the Council Chamber, 5th Floor of the John Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.

The purpose of this hearing is to address B16-772, the "Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 Amendment Act of 2006", B16-413, the "Childhood Lead Screening Amendment of 2005" and B16-913, the "Community Access to Health Care Omnibus Amendment Act of 2006."

The purpose of B16-772, the "Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 Amendment Act of 2006" is to amend the Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 to establish the Board of Acupuncture to regulate the practice of acupuncture, to define the Boards of Allied Health and Behavioral Health, to substitute the name "Attorney General" for the name "Corporation Counsel" wherever appears, to define the terms "revocation" and "suspension," to define the term "addiction counseling" and repeal the addiction counseling registration program within 5 years, to establish three tiers of licensure for addiction counselors, to amend the definition of the "practice of advanced registered nursing," to amend the definition of the "practice of medicine," to amend the definition of the "practice of occupational therapy," to amend the definition of the "practice of optometry" and to allow for the administration and prescription of Class III through V schedule controlled substances, to amend the definition of the "practice of podiatry," to amend the definition of the "practice of practical nursing," to amend the

definition of the "practice of registered nursing," to define the "practice of polysomnography," to license and regulate polysomnographic technologists, to redefine the standards for the approval of nursing schools and programs, to establish the position of Executive Director for the Board of Nursing, to substitute an occupational therapist for an occupational therapy assistant on the Board of Occupational Therapy, to increase the number of members on the Board of Professional Counseling to seven, to establish an Executive Director for the Boards of Allied Health, to establish an Executive Director for the Boards of Behavioral Health, to redefine the term "quorum," to expand the categories of persons exempt from licensure, to define the term "reciprocity," to define the term "endorsement," to allow boards to issue temporary licenses through rulemaking, to require licensees or registrants to display their license or registration in any and all offices, to require a licensee or registrant to wear a name tag when practical, to require a license or registrant to notify a board of any change in residence or place of business within 30 days, to require licensees or registrants to notify a board of any legal change of name within 30 days, to require a licensee or registrant to practice under the name on the license or registration, to require a licensee or registrant to notify a board of loss of privileges to practice at the place of employment due to incompetence or improper professional conduct, to sanction licensees or registrants for failing to provide records, engaging in improper sexual conduct, abandoning a patient, failing to report suspected child abuse, withholding services because a person is HIV positive, refusing to provide services where refusal places an unreasonable burden on patient, client or customer; attempting to cause a person to withhold testimony or prevent information from reaching a board or the Office of Administrative Hearings, misrepresenting credentials, failing to keep adequate records, trying to influence or induce patronage, practicing under a name other than his or her own, making false or misleading statements regarding skills, and being subject to repeated health claims; to expand the criteria for issuing a summary suspension, to provide for suspension of licensure or registration due to incarceration and the right to a hearing within a reasonable period of time after release, to establish licensure for graduate professional counselors, to repeal waiver of licensure requirements for massage therapists, to allow licensed independent social workers to perform psychotherapy under supervision, to repeal registration of naturopaths, to require registration of polysomnographic trainees, to provide for registration of psychological associates, to require registration of dental assistants, to require health professionals to provide copies of records and establish a reasonable fee for copying through rulemaking, and to require records to be maintained for a specific period of time.

The purpose of B16-413, the "Childhood Lead Screening Amendment Act of 2005" is to amend the Childhood Lead Poisoning Screening and Reporting Act of 2002 to increase the length of time during which a first blood lead level screening shall be taken.

The purpose of B16-913, the "Community Access to Health Care Omnibus Amendment Act of 2006" is to establish a Community Health Care Financing Fund, to amend the Draft Master Plan for Public Reservation 13 Approval Act of 2002 to authorize the development of a Healthplex on Reservation 13, to provide funding to build at least two major ambulatory centers, one each in Wards 7 and 8, to improve the District's urgent and emergent care delivery system by funding a comprehensive assessment and targeting investments in the system, including the potential expansion of emergency room capacity at Howard University Hospital and Greater Southeast Community Hospital, to make designated grants from the Community Health Care Financing Fund for cancer prevention, tobacco cessation, chronic disease management and prevention, and implementation of a regional health information exchange, and to authorize the use of eminent domain powers to acquire Greater Southeast Community Hospital.

Members of the public are invited to testify. Testimony may be limited to 3 minutes per witness and 5 minutes for an organization. Those wishing to testify should contact Mr. Hosea Alston of the Committee

on Health via email at halston@dccouncil.us or by phone at (202) 724-8170 by Friday, November 10, 2006. Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the hearing.

Members of the public may submit written testimony which will be made part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted to Ms. Phyllis Jones, Secretary to the Council, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 5, Washington, DC 20004, no later than 5:30 p.m., Monday, November 20, 2006.

This notice has been revised to reflect the addition of B16-913, the "Community Access to Health Care Omnibus Amendment Act of 2006" to the public hearing agenda.

Council of the District of Columbia Committee of the Whole Notice of Public Roundtable

John A. Wilson Building

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20004

CHAIRMAN LINDA W. CROPP ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ON

**PR 16-978, "HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD
JAMES S. KANE CONFIRMATION RESOLUTION OF 2006"**

**PR 16-979, "HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD
RONNIE W. MCGHEE CONFIRMATION RESOLUTION OF 2006"**

**PR 16-980, "HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD
DAVID LORREN RETLAND CONFIRMATION RESOLUTION OF 2006"**

**PR 16-981, "HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD
AMY WEINSTEIN RESOLUTION OF 2006"**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2006, 11:30 AM
JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING
1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W.
COUNCIL CHAMBER**

Council Chairman Linda W. Cropp announces a public roundtable by the Committee of the Whole on the Mayor's nominations to appoint or reappoint the following four individuals to the Historic Preservation Review Board: Ward 2 resident **James S. Kane**, for reappointment as a historian member of the Board, for a term to end July 21, 2009; Ward 1 residents **Amy Weinstein** and **Ronnie W. McGhee**, for reappointment as architect members of the Board, for terms to end July 21, 2009; and Ward 7 resident **David Lorren Retland**, as a public member of the Board, replacing **Jacque D. Patterson**, whose term ended July 21, 2006, for a term to end July 21, 2009. The public roundtable is scheduled for Thursday, November 9, 2006, at approximately 11:30 a.m., in the Council Chamber on the fifth floor of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. The purpose of the roundtable is to receive public comments on these nominations.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who wish to testify at the public roundtable are asked to telephone **Aretha Latta**, Administrative Assistant to the Committee of the Whole, at 724-8196, or send e-mail to alatta@dccouncil.us, and furnish their names, addresses, telephone numbers and organizational affiliation, if any, by the close of business on Tuesday, November 7, 2006. They should also bring with them 20 copies of their written testimony or submit one copy of their written testimony by Tuesday, November 7, 2006. Individual testimony may be limited to 5 minutes in order to permit each witness an opportunity to be heard.

Written statements for the record are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. All statements should be submitted to the Committee of the Whole, Council of the District of Columbia, John A. Wilson Building, Suite 412, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004. All persons wishing to comment are urged to review, prior to the public roundtable, the qualifications of these nominees to the Historic Preservation Review Board, which are attached to the proposed resolutions, copies of which may be obtained from the Legislative Services Division of the Council, John A. Wilson Building, Suite 2, (202) 724-8050.